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Agenda item 7

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE THIRTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE

Draft provisional agenda for the thirty-first session of the Committee

Note by the Secretariat

1. In pursuance of paragraph 2 (e) of Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/41 of 10 May 1979, and paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 34/50 of 23 November 1979, the Committee shall submit to the Council and to the Assembly, for their review, the provisional agenda for its thirty-first session, together with the required documentation.

2. In decision 1983/163 of 22 July 1983, the Council requested the Secretary-General to bring to the attention of intergovernmental and expert bodies, before decisions were adopted, any request for documentation that exceeded the ability of the Secretariat to prepare and process on time and within its approved resources and to draw the attention of intergovernmental bodies to areas where duplication of documentation was likely to occur and/or where opportunities for integrating or consolidating documents that dealt with related or similar themes might exist, with a view to rationalizing documentation.

3. The draft provisional agenda as set out below for the thirty-first session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination prepared on the basis of existing legislative authority will be completed at the present session in the light of recommendations adopted by the Committee:

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.

3. Programme questions:

(a) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993;

Documentation

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993 (in fascicle form)

(b) Statements on programme budget implications and procedures for the use and operation of the contingency fund;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the review of the procedures for the provision of statements of programme budget implications and for the use and operation of the contingency fund (A/44/16, para. 284)

(c) Evaluation.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the in-depth evaluation of the programme on development issues and policies of the Economic Commission for Africa (A/44/16, para. 294)

Progress report of the Secretary-General on the in-depth evaluation of the programme in international protection of and assistance to refugees (A/44/16, para. 318, E/AC.51/1989/6, para. 3, and General Assembly resolution 44/194, sect. IV, para. 1)

Triennial review of the programme on development issues and policies (A/39/38, para. 364 and A/44/16, para. 319)

Report of the Secretary-General on the in-depth evaluation of the disarmament programme (A/43/16, para. 89 and 90, E/AC.51/1989/6, para. 3, General Assembly resolution 44/194, sect. IV, para. 1, and E/AC.51/1990/L.3/Add. ___, para. 2 (a))

4. Co-ordination questions:

Report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination and preparations for the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination.

Documentation

Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination for 1990

Report of the Chairmen of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination and the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination on the twenty-fifth series of the Joint Meetings of the two Committees

5. Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit.

6. Provisional agenda for the thirty-second session of the Committee.

7. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its thirty-first session.

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF WORK

Draft programme of work

THIRTIETH SESSION - PART II

Monday, 17 September
to Friday 21 September

Programme questions [4]

(a) Proposed medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997

Proposed programme for African economic recovery and development (A/45/6 (Prog. 45))

(c) Outline of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993

Report of the Secretary-General containing the proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 1992-1993 (A/45/369)

Report of the Secretary-General on all aspects of priority-setting in future outlines of the proposed programme budget (A/44/272)

(e) Questions related to the programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991

Report of the Secretary-General on the review of the functions and administrative support of the departments having mandates relating to global social development issues (A/45/)

Report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates for section III of the programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991 (A/45/)

Report of the Secretary-General on the review of the translation and interpretation services for all official languages in the Economic Commission for Africa (A/45/)

Adoption of the report of the Committee on its resumed thirtieth session [8]

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Agenda item 2

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Status of documentation for the session

Note by the Secretariat

1. By Economic and Social Council resolutions 1979/1 and 1979/69 on the control and limitation of documentation and 1988/77 on the revitalization of the Council, the Council reiterated that the Secretariat should circulate the relevant documentation in all working languages six weeks before the opening of the sessions of the Council and its subsidiary organs, and invited the Secretariat to take steps to ensure effective compliance with rule 13, paragraph 4, of the rules of procedure of the Council. By resolution 1979/69, the Council requested the Secretariat to inform the Council and its subsidiary bodies, in the relevant annotated agenda, which documents had not been issued in accordance with the six-week rule, with a full explanation of the reasons which prevented their circulation.

2. In view of the schedule of the resumed thirtieth session of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination (17-21 September 1990), the documentation for that session should have been submitted to the Division of General Assembly Affairs on 6 July and circulated by 6 August 1990. The documents to be issued for the session are listed in the annex below. The explanations of delay, except where indicated in the footnotes, will be provided by the office responsible for the delay.

Annex

STATUS OF DOCUMENTATION AS AT 14 SEPTEMBER 1990

Agenda item	Title and symbol	Date of submission to the Division of General Assembly Affairs/Division of Economic and Social Council Affairs and Secretariat Services	Date of submission to the Department of Conference Services	Projected date of issue a/
4 (a)	Proposed programme for African economic recovery and development (A/45/6 (Prog.45))			17 September
4 (b)	Report of the Secretary-General containing the proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 1992-1993 (A/45/369)			Issued
	Report of the Secretary-General on all aspects of priority-setting in future outlines of the proposed programme budget (A/44/272)			Issued
4 (e)	Report of the Secretary-General on the review of the functions and administrative support of the departments having mandates relating to global social development issues (A/45/___)			
	Report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates for section III of the programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991 (A/45/___)			

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	Report of the Secretary-General on the review of the translation and interpretation services for all official languages in the Economic Commission for Africa (A/45/___)			

a/ Date of publication may be indicated only for documents already received by the Department of Conference Services.

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17-21 September 1990
Agenda item 8

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ITS RESUMED THIRTIETH SESSION

Draft report

Rapporteur: Mr. David ETUKET (Uganda)

ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

1. The Committee for Programme and Co-ordination held its resumed thirtieth session at United Nations Headquarters from 17 to __ September 1990. It held __ meetings (60th to __th meetings).

A. Agenda

2. The agenda for the resumed thirtieth session is reproduced in annex I.

B. Attendance

3. The following States members of the Committee were represented:

Algeria
Argentina
Austria
Bahamas
Bahrain
Bangladesh
Benin
Cameroon
Canada
China
Colombia
Côte d'Ivoire
Cuba
France
Germany, Federal Republic of
India
Japan
Kenya
Mexico
Morocco
Pakistan
Poland
Romania
Sweden
Trinidad and Tobago
Uganda
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
United States of America
Venezuela
Yugoslavia
Zambia

4. The following States Members of the United Nations were represented by observers:

Brazil
Costa Rica
Egypt
Finland
Hungary
Italy
Netherlands
Norway
Portugal
Spain
Tunisia

5. The following specialized agencies were represented:

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
World Health Organization

6. Also present at the session were the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation, the Assistant Secretary-General for Programme Planning, Budgeting and Finance, Controller, and other senior officials of the United Nations Secretariat.

C. Documentation

7. The list of documents before the Committee at its resumed thirtieth session is contained in annex II

D. Adoption of the report of the Committee

8. At its ___ meeting(s), on __ September 1990, the Committee adopted the draft report on its resumed thirtieth session (E/AC.51/1990/L.7 and Add.1-__).

ANNEX I

Agenda for the resumed thirtieth session of the Committee

1. Organization of work.

2. Programme questions:

   (a) Proposed medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997;

   (c) Outline of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993;

   (e) Questions related to the programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991.

3. Adoption of the report of the Committee.

ANNEX II

List of documents before the Committee at its resumed thirtieth session

A/44/272	Report of the Secretary-General on all aspects of priority-setting in future outlines of the proposed programme budget
A/45/6 (Prog. 45)	Proposed programme for African economic recovery, development and transformation
A/45/369	Report of the Secretary-General containing the proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 1992-1993
A/C.5/45/2	Report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates for sections 3, 13, 27, 31 and income section 1 of the programme budget for the biennium 1990-1991
A/C.5/45/4	Report of the Secretary-General on the review of the functioning and administrative support of the departments having mandates related to global social development issues and proposals for the strengthening of the United Nations Office at Vienna
E/AC.51/1990/L.5	Programme of work
E/AC.51/1990/L.6	Status of documentation
E/AC.51/1990/L.7 and Add.1-	Draft report of the Committee on its resumed thirtieth session

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Agenda item 8

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ITS RESUMED THIRTIETH SESSION

Draft report

Addendum

Rapporteur: Mr. David ETUKET (Uganda)

PROGRAMME QUESTIONS

Proposed medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997

African economic recovery, development and transformation

At its 62nd and 63rd meetings, the Committee considered the proposed programme 45 of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, entitled "African economic recovery, development and transformation".

Discussion

Several delegations welcomed the importance that the Secretary-General attached to the economic development of Africa. They urged the international community to translate its commitment into concrete actions to assist those countries, including financial resources. It was emphasized that co-ordination should be enhanced in order to ensure the effective implementation by the organizations of the system of intergovernmental decisions for African recovery and development. The proposed system-wide plan of action for African economic recovery and development could serve as a framework for that purpose. The Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) would have a leading role to play in the implementation of the programme.

Several delegations reaffirmed the priority assigned by the General Assembly to Africa and stressed that adequate resources should be provided to ensure full and effective implementation of the programme commensurate to its priority designation.

Some delegations felt that some of the resolutions cited in the subprogramme as legislative authority do not have direct relevance to this subprogramme. Other delegations did not share that view.

General recommendations

The Committee expressed general satisfaction with the substance and orientation of the programme, which had been prepared taking into account the comments made by the Committee at the first part of its current session. It felt that there should be further refinement of the programmatic content of the programme in light of subsequent relevant decisions that may be taken by the General Assembly and other intergovernmental bodies, as well as at the final review and evaluation of UNPAAERD by the General Assembly during its forty-sixth session.

The Committee recommended that emphasis should be put on the mobilization of resources.

The methodology and the format to be used in the preparation of the system-wide plan of action for African economic recovery and development should be similar to the one used for the preparation of the plan on drug abuse control, taking also into account the conclusions and recommendations contained in paragraph 146 of the Committee's report on the first part of its thirtieth session (A/45/16 (Part I)).

The Secretary-General should provide all the necessary supports for the implementation of the Programme.

Conclusions and recommendations

The Committee recommended approval of programme 45 of the proposed medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 with the following modifications:

(a) The title of the programme should be changed to read: "Africa Critical economic situation, recovery and development";

(b) The title of subprogramme 1 should be changed to read: "Mobilization of resources", and the co-ordination aspects of the subprogramme should be incorporated into section 2 "Overall strategy and co-ordination";

(c) The title of subprogramme 2 should be changed to read: "Monitoring, assessment and follow-up of the implementation of action programmes, including their financial aspects";

(d) The wording of paragraph 45.12 (b) should be changed to read: "Monitoring, assessing and following up the evolution of African economic and social development with a view to assisting African countries, at the request of individual Governments, to identify and promote policies and activities ..." (rest of the para. unchanged);

(e) Specific activities assigned in the programme should be rearranged under the new subprogramme headings; in particular:

(i) Paragraphs 45.16 to 45.18 should be placed in section 2 "Overall strategy and co-ordination";

(ii) Paragraph 45.20 (a) (i) and (iii) should be put under subprogramme 3, "The campaign for global awareness of the critical economic situation in Africa";

(iii) Activities listed in paragraph 45.28 (c) and (d) should be clearly linked to the mobilization of resources under subprogramme 1;

(f) Paragraph 45.20 (b) should be incorporated in section 2 "Overall strategy and co-ordination";

(g) In paragraph 45.20 (d) delete the phrase "including the preparation of documentation";

(h) In paragraph 45.20 (a) (ii) replace the words "Policy measures" with the words "Concrete actions";

(i) In paragraph 45.28 (c) replace the phrase "Policy and decision makers" by the word "donors";

(j) In paragraph 45.28 (d) replace the phrase "enlist the support of these target groups" with the phrase "mobilize the necessary resources";

(k) The title of subprogramme 3 should read: "The campaign for global awareness of the critical economic situation in Africa";

(l) Insert new paragraph 45.7 (e) to read:

"Supporting African countries in their effort to enhance their own endogenous capacity with a view to achieving sustained growth and development by inter alia providing, at the request of individual Governments, advice on appropriate economic policy reforms."

[(m) Substitute paragraph 45.20 (e) (ii) with the following paragraph:

"To promote international efforts to improve the functioning of commodity market including commodity price stabilization and compensation programme."]